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L.B. 458.

SENATOR BURBACH: (inaudible)

SPEAKER: Senator Burbach, you're going to have to talk into that microphone.

SENATOR BURBACH: Well, sir, I am not the chairman of that committee, but I will take the committee amendments if you so desire. Is it all right with Senator Kremer if I take the committee amendments?

SPEAKER: Senator Kremer, we're looking at the committee amendments to L.B. 458.

SENATOR BURBACH: I, I can do it, Senator Kremer. The committee amendments will strike the word "tangibles". It will leave the word "passenger." The bill refers to the movement of tangibles and passengers. There was objection at the public hearing on L.B. 458 that tangibles should be stricken and I concur with the idea that tangibles should be stricken and refer only to passengers. I move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER: Senator Skarda, do you wish to be heard on the amendment. Senator Skarda, did you wish to be--

SENATOR SKARDA: Mr. President and Members of the body, this is a bill that Senator Carpenter is extremely interested in and I think in fairness to him, you should hold it, I hope that Senator Burbach doesn't have any objections--

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes that and we'll--

SENATOR SKARDA: Because if you'll remember the other day this bill come up as one being non-controversial on Friday and he got up and asked that the bill be debated in his presence so, it's up to the body if they want to hold it or proceed with it.

SPEAKER: Well, we have, Senator Skarda, we have only the committee amendments under consideration at this time and thank you for your suggestion. Senator Whitney, we're talking about just the committee amendment now, that's all we have under discussion, L.B. 458.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, when Senator Burbach got up to say he's in favor of it, he didn't explain why he's in favor of it and, could Senator Burbach tell what's involved in these tangibles and why it is that the committee--

SENATOR BURBACH: I, I'll repeat myself, Senator Whitney, the bill refers to the movement of passengers and tangible property which is freight. At the public hearing the request was made to strike the word "tangibles" or freight, it would be one and the same in this instance and it is, this bill mainly pertains to the transportation of people. Freight would be incidental but there was objection and I said that I would support striking from the rapid transit. It's difficult to explain this amendment, Senator Whitney, without knowing the bill, but I think that I, it is a matter of freight, the transportation of freight, that is objectionable and therefore, the word intan, or tangibles has been stricken and leaves only the word "passengers."

SENATOR WHITNEY: Yes, but why do you want to strike tangibles. That's the point, why?

SENATOR BURBACH: It was the opinion of the committee, the public hearing, opposition presented itself and if, the main reason for rapid transit is for the transportation of passengers. If you would like to leave tangibles in it, I would suggest you object, but this is, today it is, we're planning for something in the